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## DEATHS

### MRS. LEWIS PETRY.

Mrs. Lewis Petry, about 50-years-old, of Nelson, died at St. Joseph's hospital in Boonville, Thursday evening, April 23d at 7 o'clock, of cancer. Mrs. Petry was operated on Tuesday morning by Dr. VanRavens but the operation proved unsuccessful and death resulted as stated above. The remains were taken to the family home at Nelson Friday. The funeral was held at the Presbyterian church Saturday at 1 p. m., and was in charge of Rev. W. F. Price of Napton.

The following relatives from Marshall attended the funeral: Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Petry, Dr. Wm. B. Petry and Stella Petry, Mrs. Williams and little daughter.

Mrs. Petry has a large number of friends in Marshall who will regret to learn of her demise as she often visited relatives here. She has been a sufferer from stomach trouble for several years but was able to be around until about three months ago, since which time her condition has been critical. Mrs. Petry is survived by her husband and several sons and a large relationship. She was a devoted member of the Presbyterian church and was a truly good woman who will be greatly missed.

### MRS. ELIZABETH A. BURNETT

Mrs. Elizabeth Adeline Burnett died at her home 2 1/2 miles southeast of Marshall on Friday, April 24 at eleven o'clock p. m., after a short illness of pneumonia. The deceased had been in failing health for several years, and the end while looked for came as a shock to the surviving husband and adopted daughter, Mrs. Leonard Ruman.

Mrs. Burnett was born at Springfield, Mo., May 22, 1851 and had the life one month longer, she would have been 62 years old. She was the daughter of John and Annie Little and was married to the surviving husband, Marion D. Burnett on April 14, 1879. She was a devoted Christian, having joined the Christian church at the early age of 9 years and was baptized by Brother Grimes, a well known Christian evangelist at Des Moines, Iowa.

The funeral services took place at the Christian church at 2 p. m., Sunday, April 26, Elder B. T. Wharton in charge. Burial was at Ridge Park cemetery.

### MRS. SARAH ELIZABETH CONNER

Died Saturday morning, April 11 at three o'clock. At her country home three miles southeast of Herndon, after an illness of a number of years. She was born in Green county Mo., in 1848; was married to Robert Conner in 1869. To this union 8 children were born, 6 are living: Will Conner of Malta Bend, Mo.; Mrs. Annie Akeman of Sweet Springs, Mo.; Ella Conner of St. Louis; Robbie King of Marshall; Frank Conner of Burlington, Wash.; S. F. Conner of Burlington, Wash.

The funeral took place at 2 p. m. Sunday at Hazel Grove church.

### GODFREY EBERLE

Better known among his friends as "Dutch" Eberle, died at his home near Sharon at 2 a. m., Saturday of a paralytic stroke after a long illness, aged about 70 years.

Mr. Eberle resided for many years near Malta Bend but of late years has been in the Slater neighborhood. He is survived by five children.

Mr. Eberle was a veteran of the Civil war, in which he served with honor. He was a genial, whole-souled gentleman who had many friends. His remains were laid to rest in the Malta Bend cemetery at 2 p. m. Sunday.

### MRS. G. H. MCCLURE.

Mrs. McClure, wife of G. H. McClure, a prominent merchant of Grand Pass, died very suddenly at her home in that village last Friday, April 24th at 11:30 p. m. Mrs. McClure was able to be about her usual household duties Friday but during the evening she complained of feeling badly but her indisposition was not thought to be serious. Toward midnight, however, she grew worse and a physician was summoned but she passed away before he arrived.

The funeral and burial took place at Grand Pass Sunday.

### JACOB R. VENTREKES

Try no. 1. Nicely Equipped for Auto Repairing on Short Notice. Blue Lick, Mo. Blacksmith and Wagonmaker.

## AMONG OUR FRIENDS.

The following names are new subscribers or renewals the past week:

1. E. N. Ruff, R. 3, city.
2. Aug. Tagmeyer, Grand Pass.
3. Chas. Butler, Nelson, R. 2.
4. W. L. Clay, city.
5. Harry Ordway, R. 3, city.
6. J. W. Fischer, Gilliam.
7. John W. Knight, R. 2, city.
8. Willie Ballard, Blue Lick.
9. J. N. Stolsworth, Blue Lick.
10. Wade Little, Miami.
11. J. T. Redman, city.
12. Mrs. Laura B. Cundiff, Sweet Springs.
13. O. H. Dieckman, Gilliam.
14. Wallace Humphreys, Big Horn, Mont.
15. Louis Krause, R. 5, Sweet Springs.
16. R. E. Kuntz, Blackburn.
17. P. B. Buford, Sweet Springs.
18. Fred Lemler, Blackburn.

## KANSAS CITY MARKET

Furnished by the Mose Land Milling Company, April 29.

	Wheat	Opened	Closed	Yesterday
May	84%	83%	84%	84%
July	80%	79%	80%	80%
Sept.	80%	79%	80%	80%
Corn:				
May	67%	66%	67%	67%
July	67%	66%	66%	66%
Sept.	64%	64%	64%	64%

## Home Market.

No. 2. Red Wheat ..... 85c  
No. 2. White Corn ..... 70c  
No. 2. Mixed ..... 68c

## POULTRY MARKET

April 29.

Eggs	16c
Hens	11c
Roosters	5c
Turkeys	10c
Ducks	9c
Geese	8c
Packing Butter	13c

## BURNELL-MARKESBURY.

Mr. W. T. Burnell of Kansas City and Miss Rena Lee Markesbury, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Markesbury, of east of Marshall, were married in Kansas City Wednesday, April 22.

Miss Markesbury was reared in Saline county and attended school in Marshall and had a large circle of friends who extend congratulations and best wishes for a happy and prosperous future.

Rev. Ridder of Kansas City officiated at the wedding which took place at the home of the groom. Mr. Burnell is engaged in the oil business in the city.

After the wedding, which was a very quiet affair, Mr. and Mrs. Burnell left for a wedding trip to points in the east. After their return they will be at home at 4242 Tracy Ave., Kansas City, Mo.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Samuel M. Memershaegen, Levey, Mo.; Verna F. Heuman, Blackwater. Walter Neff, Napton; Blanche Townsend, Nelson.  
Harry L. Highley, Sweet Springs; Bessie M. Lee, Sweet Springs.  
Floyd Turner (col.) Higbee; Bessie Wynn (col.) Higbee.  
L. J. Reed, (col.) Malta Bend; Minnie Thomas, (col.) Malta Bend.  
John B. Halsey, Mt. Leonard; Myrtle L. Lynch, Sweet Springs.  
Calvin Finley, Gilliam; Nola May Epperson, Gilliam.  
Fred T. Berryman, Marshall; Sadie Green, Marshall.  
Carl Piper, Slater; Mathe Booker, Higginsville.

## PERKINS-RUCKER.

Si Perkins tells us that his boy, Elmer, will be married to Randy Rucker in the court house yard at 8:30 Saturday evening, May 2d. Si says everybody is invited and "they ain't goin' to be any charge at the gate, because they ain't no gate to the court house yard. Just free do-in's." We have asked the city officials about it and they say no order has been given for the use of the yard but it is for the public good and for the public's use. Several of our local merchants have given presents to Elmer and Randy and if the authorities don't gum the happy affair it will be the society event of the season.

## THE WEATHER.

Obed Noble, the weather prophet, has issued another one of his famous prognostications, which we publish herewith:

For the 21 days from April 24th there will likely be 10 to 11 windy days out of the 21; cloudy days, 5 to 6 moderate to warm, 9 days; hot, from 10 to 11; cool, from 3 to 4 days; showers, 2 to 3.

Try a want ad.

## NO VERDICT BEFORE FRIDAY

The trial of Penn R. Benton, charged with murder in the first degree, for killing Will Augier at Sweet Springs last November was begun in the criminal court of Saline county, Judge John A. Rich presiding, on Monday, April 27th.

The first day was occupied in selecting the jury. The taking of the evidence was begun Tuesday afternoon after the attorneys had made statements of the case to the jury. Prosecuting Attorney W. H. Meschede explained the case to the jury on behalf of the state and R. M. Reynolds made the statement on behalf of the defendant.

The jury in the case is as follows: Early Moore, Richard Cameron, Clell Harrison, John I. Hardin, Henry W. Mertens, Wm. T. Clark, Walter A. Dennis, James Stookey, William Roberts, John Thorp, George Parks and Frank Lawless.

The state is represented by Prosecuting Attorney W. H. Meschede, assisted by A. F. Rector.

The defendant is represented by R. M. Reynolds and Wayne Hayman, of Sweet Springs.

The following witnesses testified on behalf of the state Tuesday: Dr. John H. Owen, Dr. J. E. Connell, John Fowler, Ray Hagan, Jesse Walborn, James Reavis, Ev Johnson and D. Jackson.

After the completion of the examination at five o'clock Tuesday evening, Prosecuting Attorney Meschede announced that "the state rests." The first witness for the defense not being present Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Hoymann requested that court adjourn till Wednesday morning, which request was granted and Judge Rich ordered an adjournment till Wednesday morning.

Court convened at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning and the examination of witnesses on behalf of the defendant was begun. The following witnesses were put on the stand Wednesday morning: W. H. Dickson, Fred Stouffer, Dr. Wm. Harrison, Dave Smith, D. Jackson, G. L. Browning, Clarence Wheeler (col.), J. E. Walker, J. A. Miller, Frank Staples. (The latter three were the train crew—engineer, brakeman and conductor of Missouri Pacific train) and Jesse Walborn.

The defendant was called to the stand Wednesday afternoon and told the story of his difficulty with Will Augier on November 22, 1913, that led up to the killing, in full. He detailed the circumstances from their inception to the end.

This case will probably not go to the jury before Friday.

The following were summoned from Sweet Springs as witnesses: Fred Stoner, John Kinsey, Ike Fowler, Robt. Fowler, John Harms, Louis Armstrong, Jas. Hurt, Chas. Grother, Dave Smith, Dee Jackson, G. L. Browning, Jude Laird, Clarence Wheeler (col.), Chas. U. Hall, Geo. Benton, Roy Hagan, John Fowler, Jas. Temple, Fred Augier, John Kinsey (col.), Robt. Jurden (col.), Thos. Adams, Dave Reavis, David Fields (col.), Bruce Singleton (col.), Geo. Augier, Will Barnds, Will Parls, Robt. Mitchell, Dr. Jno. H. Owens, Dr. J. L. Connell, Jas. Reaven, Clay Calhoun, W. H. Dickerson, Frank Staples, Sedalla; John Lindsey, Dr. J. A. Noel, Ev. Johnson (col.), M. S. Ray, John McGuire, F. S. Edwards, Marvin Davis, C. E. Scott, Rob. Mitchell, Dick Mitchell, Chas. Higley, Ed. Gamble, Warren Hedger, Fred Elaner, John Evans, Jas. Harris, W. A. Smith, J. J. Smith, R. E. Smith, Jo Porter, Curt Hagen, I. Parkhurst, Walker Parsons, Tom Treese, John Lindsey, Gus Krause, Louis Krause, John Norman, Robt. Hicks, Marvin Chappell, Chas. Prigmore.

## HERE THIS WEEK.

Word has been received here that representatives of the Niles Mercantile Company, who rented the store room just west of the Broken Dollar Store on the north side, recently, will be in Marshall this week to complete arrangements for opening their grocery store here in the near future. The Niles Company has a string of stores through central Missouri; a store was opened at Nelson last week. There has been considerable opposition to the opening of the store in Marshall from a local wholesale firm which has delayed the opening of the store in Marshall.

Mrs. J. D. Smith, of Nelson was shopping here Monday.

## SECOND TEXAS LETTER.

(This letter was written several weeks ago, but was delayed and is being printed after our return—Editor)

Brashear, Texas, April 15, 1914. Determined to learn something of interest to our readers, we have been asking all manner of "fool questions" and making investigations and we certainly learned a few things.

Sunday morning we attended Sunday school at the Brashear Methodist church. There was no preaching that day and all church goers attended the Christian church, where we heard a very ably delivered sermon. At the Sunday school as well as at the church, the doors were kept wide open and even though we were so cold that a chill passed over us occasionally the people seemed to take the coolness as a matter of course. There was a small fire in the stove in the middle of the room at both places but it did not raise the temperature much. Both buildings as well as the other two churches are large wooden structures as usually found in our country communities but devoid of paint. There were probably sixty or seventy-five at the Sunday school and a very good service.

Our biggest surprise was at the Christian church. They had no organ and on inquiry we were told that the church had split up over the organ question into progressives and non-progressives. The latter won out and threw the organ out and the progressives have "taken to the woods." But we will say that if throwing the organ out would prove our singing to be what we heard here it would be a good idea as the singing was correct and hearty. But we must naturally conclude that these people who object to an organ as sinful must be making a desperate attempt to go good. Having contracted a cold, we did not go to preaching at night.

Monday morning we boarded the train for Sulphur Springs and our surprise can be imagined when we met Will Rea on the depot platform. We had no time to talk but took his advice to stop at the McClimons hotel and made no mistake. The building is anything but up-to-date but the meals and service are good. The only evidence of being south was in having fresh tomatoes on the table and at least three kinds of meat at nearly every meal.

We reported for work at the Evening News Monday noon and for two days interviewed bankers and business men, getting some valuable information. Sulphur Springs is slightly larger than Marshall and located very much like our city, so that a comparison can easily be made that is interesting.

The city is not quite as old as Marshall but is like Marshall was about twenty years ago in the matter of improvements, but as to business has improved about fifty per cent. It has four good banks, two daily and two weekly papers, no flour mills, but a number of cotton gins and cotton mills. There are three lumber yards, but do not appear progressive although they must do a big business, judging from the large amount of building going on.

The city is far behind us in the matter of residences. There are a number of very fine residences which compare favorably with ours, then probably a hundred or so which are in the middle class, say like English avenue, except that only the finest have foundations, the rest all being built on props one to three feet high. The majority of the homes have from three to five rooms, have no curtains or carpets. The people though are equal to ours in intelligence and have a decided advantage over us in not having learned the trick of snobbery.

We watched the high school children assemble Wednesday morning and noticed that nearly every girl wore a sun bonnet or came bare headed. Also that there were a good many calico dresses. While we could not help but admire the girls, who made a pleasing picture many of the boys were a generation behind in having a cigarette sticking to their lips. The schools seem abreast of the times. We had the pleasure of meeting Prof. L. S. Witt, the leading musician, whom we found to be a very pleasant gentleman and only regretted that we couldn't claim kinship.

In a business way the city has 23 grocery stores and the fact that they are all doing a fairly prosperous business shows the comparative amount of business done. The square has not been paved but bonds have been voted to do so. An \$85,000 court house has just been completed on one corner of the square. The square proper is to be paved as in Mexican cities into a plaza.

The greatest weakness of the city is the financial end. The country is growing rapidly and land values jumping, which calls for big investments in improvements and money being in big demand interest is charged of about 12 per cent on an average, although the legal rate is but 10 per cent. The law is overcome by making a note larger than the amount borrowed. \*One business man told us he is paying 15 per cent and another 25 per cent. A banker told us that his bank has been making 21 to 35 per cent on its investment. Vendor lien notes are being sold at 12 per cent interest. This is the main source of borrowing. There being a homestead exemption law in Texas real estate security is not considered as good as personal security. A man may claim as high as 200 acres of good land as a homestead and you cannot reach him by law. But after this bank has been sold once after being homesteaded this does not apply, yet we are inclined to believe that the Texas bankers must take bigger risks in their loans. Anyway money easily brings ten per cent and is in big demand. As a result there is much credit business.

On account of this financial difficulty farm investments offer unusual inducements and returns. Land around Sulphur Springs seems almost equal to ours yet sells at from \$25 to \$100 per acre. As real estate securities are not good, farmers are unable to borrow for improvements and there are but few nice farm homes.

One thing that interested us particularly was the numerous cotton gins. A gin very much resembles an old flouring mill. Several buildings and a big smoke stack is the first view. We visited several and took notes carefully but have lost them so must write from memory. The first thing about a gin is the engine to drive the machines, then there are from three to five gins usually. Into these the cotton is dumped. The first process is to blow out as much dirt as possible, then the circular saws cut it up and extract the seed, letting the seed fall into a trough and carrying the lint to the balers. The seed is packed and sold to cotton oil mills, who in turn grind it up and separate it into feed for cattle and lard compounds, such as shortenings, soap ingredients, etc.

The cotton when baled is graded and sold at from \$65 to \$70 per bale of 500 pounds. We were told that over a million dollars worth of baled cotton was sold on the square at Sulphur Springs last summer, all raised in the vicinity and hauled in. In order to see a representative audience we attended the revival service at the Baptist church Tuesday evening. There was a congregation of about 600 and the evangelist was a Rev. Bassett of Missouri. The singing was good. The church is a large frame building and so far without a pipe organ. It has a very large membership being the leading denomination. The Methodists also have a strong church.

We might add that this part of Texas is very, very "dry" and very, very Democratic, so there is some consolation to people who think it's all bad.

We are told that the prosperity dates back to the time when the saloons were voted out.

J. J. WITT.

## THIRD TEXAS LETTER.

Campbell, Texas, April 17, 1914.

On my return from Sulphur Springs to Brashear Wednesday noon, I found the repairs I was waiting on had still not arrived, so I hired an auto and made a run to Cumby, a booming town. It was a delightful trip through a nice section of country and the town looks bright as a dollar. Thursday I took the train for this place—Hunt county, in northeastern Texas—and from here drove over to Commerce, a city about the size of Marshall. Both places make a good impression, but the cotton crop failed here last year and as a result the money question is acute. The banks are glutted and money can't be had at any price. One young man here has been lending small amounts by the month at 25 per cent a month and making safe loans. A farmer told me here he had 2,000 acres of land on which he could claim no exemption and worth from \$12 to \$15 an acre, yet could not borrow \$3.00 an acre at any rate. At Commerce conditions are a little better. A local banker said "Everything is mortgaged to h-ll and no money in the country."

This section is in a sand belt and my drive to Commerce Thursday was an unusually bad one. The wind was blowing a constant gale and the air full of sand all the time. The roads are heavy and rough, almost impassable for autos. At one particularly

## CURRENT EVENTS

About 250 Jews, mostly young folks, are now emigrating each week from Russia to Palestine, 50 being formerly the average.

The killing and eating of seven native missionaries by cannibals is the latest horror added to the grim record of the New Hebrides, which were recently visited by a serious volcanic eruption. The island steamer Makambo, brought news of unrest among the natives on Malekula and other islands, culminating in a cannibalistic feast.

Three robbers who blew open the safe in the bank of Phillipsburg, Mo. were found hiding in a treetop by a posse that trailed them with bloodhounds. They opened fire on the citizens as they approached, but soon surrendered. The robbers showed the sheriff where they had buried all but \$500 of the \$1,200 they took from the bank.

The capture of Vera Cruz by American warships, breaking off of relations between the Huerta government and the United States, the movement of warships and the army, the attitude of Carranza and Villa the Rebel Chiefs toward the United States and the many other stirring incidents connected with the troubled situation in Mexico has filled the space in the newspapers and crowded every thing else into the back ground during the past week.

A scheme to ship whisky in 30-gallon barrels, placed inside of 50-gallon barrels of vinegar, into "dry" territory was revealed when the police arrested William Smythe of Cushing.

had place a man jokingly asked me why I was driving so fast and I answered that I was anxious to get back to Missouri. That put a fool idea in to my head, so the next few persons I met I said "Good by neighbor, I'm going back to Missouri."

Campbell has a population of only about a thousand, yet I am told a hundred residences were built here last year. This year nothing is doing.

The Free Methodist Seminary is located here. It is commonly known as the holiness school. We visited the school and found the main building a large wooden structure three stories high with the main auditorium on the third floor. There was no sign of a fire escape, making it one of the worst fire traps we have ever seen. It has no foundation but is propped up by sections of logs about two feet off the ground. Rev. C. E. Harroun is principal and seems an able, earnest man. There are one hundred students enrolled at present. The expenses for ten months, including board at \$12 a month, are only \$156.

In our opinion a poor man has a good chance here as living is cheap and wages high with plenty of work, but the man who must borrow money had better stay away. How a man can pay from 10 to 15 per cent for farm or business investment we can't understand and are inclined to think that it can't be done successfully except in an unusual case. J. J. WITT, arranged.

## WOODSON.

Some corn has been planted in this vicinity.

Mrs. J. M. Johnston of Slater is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Brooks Hildebrand at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Clark of Aulville are visiting their parents here. Mr. Garnett Gorrell and sister, Miss Lieveita, attended the Glee Club entertainment at Malta Bend Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Judge Foree and daughter, Mrs. C. C. Clark and son, John Foree, were pleasant callers with Mrs. James Scott and daughter Friday afternoon.

Mr. R. W. Finley is visiting friends in this community this week.

Mr. Ira Foree and sister, Miss Minnie, attended the dance near Wannamaker Tuesday evening.

Miss Pearl Gorrell visited in Marshall at the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Clark were visitors at the county seat Friday.

Mr. C. L. Jacobi visited his sister, Mrs. Mose Barron Sunday.

Mr. J. M. Walker and family were among the many visitors to the county seat Friday.

## LECTURE AT MALTA BEND.

Grand-Master Sterling, chaplain of the Missouri penitentiary at Jefferson City, will lecture at the Odd Fellows hall in Malta Bend Friday night, May 1st at the 95th anniversary of the lodge. All Odd Fellows and Rebekahs are cordially invited to attend.

## IN POLICE COURT.

I. P. Miller and W. D. Ming were each fined \$8.50 in Judge Rasse's police court last Thursday for fighting.

Ida May Green (col.) was arraigned in police court Monday on an alleged charge of street walking and was fined \$8.50 by the judge.

Okla., and George Irvine, a negro in St. Louis last week. The many barrels and casks around the place made the police suspicious. They found the two men putting the whisky barrels inside the large barrels and filling the remaining space with vinegar. They would then label them vinegar and ship them to Oklahoma. The men were turned over to the revenue officers.

The Colorado miners war with a known death toll of 32, many of them, women and children, in the fight between state troops and 1,000 armed strikers in the Colorado coal fields, has become a most serious affair. The entire National Guards of the state were ordered into the Ludlow district. It is feared that 30 men, women and children who had taken refuge in the Empire mine were killed when strikers burned the mine tipples and discharged dynamite in the mouth of the shaft. Those inside were nonunion workers and their families. Reports of fires and battles came from many parts of the district, following the fire which destroyed the tent colony at Ludlow, in which four women and 13 children lost their lives. The fire followed an all-day battle between militiamen and strikers in which 13 lives were lost. Each side blames the other for the fire. A truce has been agreed upon and it is now hoped that a settlement of the controversy may be effected in an unusual case. J. J. WITT, arranged.

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